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Applicant:	Martin M. Deneroff et al.	Examiner:	Tonia Meonske
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**PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

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In accordance with the provision of 37 CFR § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the Final Office Action mailed November 15, 2002, said period of response being extended from February 15, 2003 to May 15, 2003.

**Our check in the amount of \$930.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee.  
Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to deposit Account No. 19-0743.**

Respectfully Submitted

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